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The study was sponsored by the Public Health Service's Centers for Disease Control, Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry, and National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences, and the U. S. Environmental Protection Agency. Linda Rosenstock, director of occupational medicine, University of Washington, Seattle, chaired the subcommittee.

"Addressing the Physician Shortage in Occupational and Environmental Medicine" is available from the IOM Committee on Enhancing the Practice of Occupational and Environmental Medicine at the National Academy of Sciences, 2101 Constitution Ave., NW, Washington, DC 20418; tel. (202) 334-1715.

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Free copies of the reports are not available, but the Bureau submitted the reports to the Congressional Information Service (CIS), where they can be purchased in hardcopy and microfiche form. For cost and ordering information, contact Sharon Schmedicke, CIS, 4520 East-West Highway, Bethesda, MD 20814-3389, tel. (301) 654-1550 or 1-800-638-8380.

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